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SUBJECT: ENERGY: COUNTERING COMMENTS OF JAPANESE MITI

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REFS: A) TEHRAN 3096; B) TOKYO 5453

1. WE AGREE IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL FOR ECON COUNSELOR
TO CLARIFY FOR FINMIN AMUZEGAR U. S. POLICY RE CONSUMER
COUNTRY COOPERATION. STATEMENTS MADE BY NEKASONE MAY HAVE
LEFT IMPRESSION, UNINTENTIONALLY OR NOT, THAT JAPANESE
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GOVERNMENT HAS REASON TO BELIEVE USG IS PROMOTING CARTEL OF CONSUMING NATIONS FOR CONFRONTATION WITH OPEC. THIS IS TOTALLY UNFOUNDED VIEW WHICH CANNOT FAIL TO PROMPT NEGATIVE REACTIONS IF LEFT UNCORRECTED.

2. WE SUGGEST THAT PRESENTATION DRAW ON PORTION OF PRESIDENT'S ENERGY MESSAGE CONCERNED WITH INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. IMPORTANT POINT IS THAT CONSIDERATION AND CONSULTATIONS WE ARE NOW DEVOTING TO QUESTION OF INCREASED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION HAS AS PREMISE THAT INTERESTS OF NO COUNTRY WILL BE SERVED BY ADVENT OF CUT THROAT COMPETITION OR HOSTILE CONFRONTATION. OUR FOCUS IS ON INTE WILL VIEW THIS AS PUTTING ONUS ON THEM, AND ARE NOT OVERLY CONFIDENT APOLOGY WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

3. DEPENDING ON LARG REPLY, WHICH MFA ASKED THAT WE SHARE WITH THEM GOI WILL DECIDE WHETHER TO RESURRECT ITS CALL FOR RENEWED NATO CONSIDERATION OF MATTER. IF LARG CLAIMS WE ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY BY NOT OFFICIALLY OBJECTING TO DANGER ZONES, ITALIANS WILL PUSH FOR AGREEMENT ON FORM NATO APPROACH TO LIBYA.

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